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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**National Institutes of Health** 

Proposed Collection; 60-Day Comment Request: Electronic Individual Development Plan (eIDP)

(National Eye Institute)

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the requirement of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 to provide

opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Eye Institute of the

National Institutes of Health will publish periodic summaries of propose projects to be submitted to the

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

**DATES**: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if

received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and

instruments, submit comments in writing, or request more information on the proposed project, contact:

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NIH, Building 31, room 6A22, MSC 0250, Bethesda, Maryland 20892 or call non-toll-free number

(301) 451-6763 or E-mail your request, including your address to: cesarp@nei.nih.gov. Formal requests

for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires: written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited to address one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimizes the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

<u>Proposed Collection Title</u>: Electronic Individual Development Plans, 0925-NEW, expiration date XX/XX/XXXX, National Eye Institute (NEI), National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Need and Use of Information Collection: The National Eye Institute's (NEI) Office of the Scientific Director (OSD) goal is to train the next generation of vision researchers and ophthalmologists. Trainees who participate in NEI research come with different levels of education (student, postbaccalaureate, predoctoral including graduate and medical students, postdoctoral fellows) and for different amounts of time (6 months to 5 years). Training at the NEI focuses on scientific and professional skill development. To enhance their chances of obtaining their ideal career, completing an annual Individual Development Plan (IDP) is an important step in helping a trainee's career and professional development and is standard practice in graduate and postdoctoral education. An IDP is an effective tool for trainees to think about their career goals and skills needed to achieve them during their time at the NEI. Trainees work together with their research mentor to organize and summarize their research projects, consider career goals, and set training goals and expectations, both for the mentee and mentor.

This information collection request is to implement an electronic Individual Development Plan (eIDP).

The data collected comes from a detailed questionnaire focused on responses to professional goals and expectations while the they are at the NEI. It is expected that the trainees will complete the eIDP

annually and by doing so, it will help enhance the effectiveness of their training by setting clear goals that can be monitored not only by the trainee themselves but also by their mentor, the Training Director, and their Administrative Officer. In addition to this eIDP, the system will also implement an electronic exit survey. The data collected comes from a detailed questionnaire focused on responses to questions focused on trainee mentoring and professional experiences at the NEI as well as their plans after they depart. It is expected that the trainees will complete at the end of their tenure and that by doing so, the NEI Training Program can learn about ways to improve career development opportunities for future trainees as well as learn more about trainee job choices to better advise fellows. Additionally, we can use the survey to help determine mentor effectiveness and help identify problems in mentoring at the NEI.

OMB approval is requested for 3 years. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 450.

## Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

	Type of	Number of	Number of	Average Time Per	Total Annual Burden
	Respondent	Respondents	Responses per	Response	Hour
			Respondent	(in hours)	
eIDP	Individuals	150	1	2	300
Exit Survey Part 1	Individuals	150	1	30/60	75
Exit Survey Part 2	Individuals	150	1	30/60	75
	TOTAL	150	150		450

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